

**CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
COUNTY OF MARION
STATE OF INDIANA**

EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 7, 2000

**ESTABLISHMENT OF A
RAW SEWAGE OVERFLOW ADVISORY COMMITTEE**

WHEREAS, over 100 years ago the City of Indianapolis built a "combined" sewer system that carries both storm water and sanitary sewer flows within the same structure;

WHEREAS, this combined system is no longer adequate to convey these wastes to the City's wastewater treatment plants during certain wet weather events thus allowing overflows of raw sewage into the waterways of Indianapolis;

WHEREAS, the overflows of raw sewage pose serious health risks to Indianapolis residents through increased levels of bacteria and viruses, in addition to the risks to the environmental health of the waterways of Indianapolis;

WHEREAS, at the dawn of the 21st Century in the City of Indianapolis, it is unacceptable to continue to release raw sewage into our waterways at the current rate and an action plan to address this problem is needed;

WHEREAS, the City of Indianapolis has released a report on the options to reduce raw sewage overflows through combined sewers, and that report describes estimated costs for design, construction, operation and maintenance of a number of alternative solutions;

WHEREAS, potential costs identified within the report to solve the raw sewage overflow problems will impact Indianapolis residents such that their input on the proper solutions is critical;

WHEREAS, a Raw Sewage Overflow Advisory Committee is necessary to educate the public on the possible solutions to the sewer problems and their potential costs as described in the report and to gather public input on the report in order to better advise the Mayor as the City assembles its long-term plan to control such overflows;

NOW, THEREFORE, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Indianapolis, Indiana, and as successor-in-interest to the Board of Commissioners of Marion County, Indiana, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. The Raw Sewage Overflow Advisory Committee is hereby established.

2. To execute the responsibilities of the committee, the Mayor shall appoint no less than 10 and no more than 20 individuals from a number of fields, including, but not limited to: financial institutions, environmental groups, labor unions, legal experts, and contractors.

3. The committee members shall serve at the pleasure of the Mayor.

4. This Executive Order shall become effective immediately.

DATED this 1st day of August, 2000.

CONSOLIDATED CITY OF INDIANAPOLIS
AND MARION COUNTY, INDIANA

By: Bart Peterson
Bart Peterson, Mayor

Approved for form and legality:

By: Anthony S. Chinn
A. Scott Chinn, Corporation Counsel